

December 11, 2006

**VIA HAND DELIVERY & ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk  
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission  
89 Jefferson Boulevard  
Warwick, RI 02888

**RE: Docket 3788 – Annual Retail Rate Filing**  
**Responses to Commission Data Requests – Set 2 and**  
**Revised Response to Commission Data Request 1-5**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed please find ten (10) copies of National Grid's responses to the second set of data requests issued by the Commission on November 22, 2006, in the above-captioned proceeding and a revised response to Commission Data Request 1-5, originally filed on December 6, 2006.

The Company's original response to Commission Data Request 1-5, part (d) contains an error in the monthly bill calculation for Rate A-60. The request specified that the bill calculation should be based upon the Company's proposed rates plus a credit designed to return approximately \$6 million in Settlement Funds to all ratepayers in an across the board manner. The bill calculation for Rate A-60 in the response to part (d) of \$55.25 included this credit, but also incorrectly included the Company's proposed low-income credit applicable to the distribution kWh charge initial block. The attached revised response includes the correct bill calculation. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused.

Thank you for your attention to this filing. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (401) 784-7667.

Very truly yours,



Laura S. Olton

Enclosures

cc: Docket 3788 Service List  
Paul Roberti, Esq.  
Steve Scialabba, Division

Commission Data Request 2-1

Request:

1. For the period October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006, with regard to electricity, please provide the following information if it is available:
  - a) Amount of LIHEAP funds used to offset the bills of residential customers.
  - b) Amount of Good Neighbor Energy Fund Money used to offset the bills of residential customers.
  - c) The total amount of the subsidy to customers under the Discounted A-60 rate.
  - d) The amount of funds from the \$2,000,0000 dedicated to low income customers per Order 18510 in Docket 3710 used to offset the bills of low income customers.
  - e) The amount of funds utilized to aid low income customers through the company's Demand Side Management Programs.
  - f) The amount of total net writeoffs.
  - g) If available, the amount of total net writeoffs for the residential class broken down by A-60 vs non A-60 residential customers.
  - h) The amounts of any other programs, discounts, assistance that were utilized to aid low income customers.

Response:

The following information is for the period October 2005 through September 2006, except where noted:

- a) LIHEAP funds utilized to offset residential bills - \$618,727
- b) Good Neighbor Energy Fund Money, applicable to those customers who do not qualify for LIHEAP funds, used to offset residential bills - \$176,572.
- c) The total subsidy calculated by comparing the charges to customers receiving service on Rate A-60 to the charges that the same customers would have paid on residential Rate A-16 (including credit pursuant to Order 18510 in Docket No. 3710) - \$5,799,022.
- d) The amount of funds from the \$2,000,000 credited pursuant to Order 18510 in Docket No. 3710 to customers receiving service on Rate A-60 - \$1,520,360 (this amount included in the subsidy calculated in part (c)).

Commission Data Request 2-1 (continued)

- e) National Grid keeps track of low-income energy efficiency spending on a calendar year basis. In 2005, the Company spent \$2,946,384 for low income customers through its energy efficiency programs.
- f) The amount of total Company net write-offs was \$9.3 million.
- g) Net write-offs for Rate A-16 were approximately \$6.7 million and for Rate A-60 were approximately \$1.7 million.
- h) There are currently no other programs applicable to low income customers.

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Commission Data Request 1-5 - Revised

Request:

Please provide the following:

- a. Total bill for 500 kWh per month A-16 customer and A-60 customer under current rates.
- b. Total bill for 500 kWh per month A-16 customer and A-60 customer under rates as proposed by the company.
- c. Total bill for 500 kWh per month A-16 customer and A-60 customer under rates as proposed by the company and assuming \$2,000,000 of Settlement Funds were returned to all ratepayers (business & residential) in 2007 in an across the board (per kWh) fashion, as opposed to only the A-60 class.
- d. Total bill for 500 kWh per month A-16 customer and A-60 customer under rates as proposed by the company and assuming the approximately \$6,000,000 of Settlement Funds remaining were returned to all ratepayers (business & residential) in 2007 in an across the board (per kWh) fashion.

Response:

The following table shows the monthly bill for a 500 kWh customer receiving service on Rates A-16 and A-60 for each of the scenarios listed above:

	Rate A-16	Rate A-60
(a) Current Bill	\$77.82	\$60.54
(b) Proposed Bill	\$72.71	\$55.63
(c) Refund of \$2m (across the board)	\$72.58	\$61.63
(d) Refund of \$6m (across the board)	\$72.32	\$61.37

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